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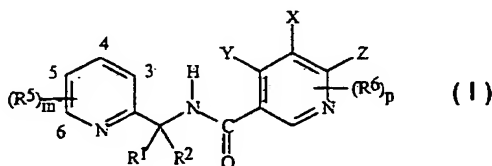
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(57) Abstract: Compounds of Formula I, including all geometric and stereoisomers, N-oxides, and agriculturally suitable salts thereof: (Formula I); wherein X and either Y or Z are a linking chain 3 or 4 atoms in length attached to contiguous carbon atoms and are taken together with said carbon atoms to form a fused phenyl ring, a fused 5- or 6-membered nonaromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring optionally including one or two ring members selected from the group consisting of C(=O), SO or S(O)₂, or a fused 5- or 6-membered heteroaromatic ring, each fused ring optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from R⁷; and R¹, R², R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, m and p are as defined in the disclosure. Also disclosed are compositions containing the compounds of Formula I and a method for controlling plant diseases caused by fungal plant pathogens that involves applying an effective amount of a compound of Formula I.